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For: Method and System for  
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Maintenance Boot Image Over a  
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In response to the Office Action dated November 22, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Listing of Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.